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In re Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR MAKING TIRES
FILLED WITH FLATPROOFING
MATERIAL

Group Art Unit: 1733

Examiner: TO BE ASSIGNED

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. A copy of each document is enclosed. U. S. Patent Nos. 1,049,039, 1,097,824 and 5,254,405 were cited in a corresponding International Search Report. A copy of the cited art and the Search Report are also being brought to the attention of the Examiner.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the space adjacent each document entry on the Form PTO-1449, and to return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 to confirm that the documents have been considered and have been officially made of record in this application.

Applicant also wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention the fact that the above referenced application is related by subject matter to Application Nos. 09/924,535 and 09/924,536.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative at the number set forth below.

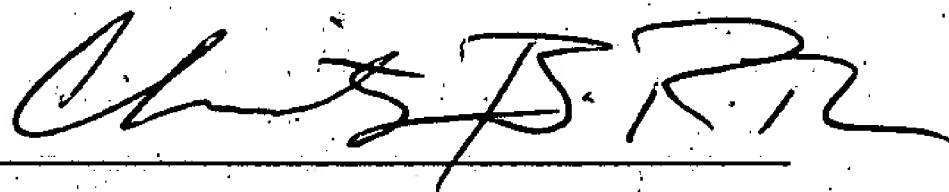
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